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Diana Saldaña

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1971
Education: Texas 1994 BA, 1997 JD
Began Service: 2006
Term Expires: 2014

Affiliation: Member, Webb County Bar Association; Member, Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Member, State Bar of Texas; Board Member, Board of Directors, Texas CASA

Clerkships: Law Clerk, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (1997-1998)

Government: Assistant U.S. Attorney, Laredo (TX) Office, Executive Office for United States Attorneys, United States Department of Justice (2001-2006)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Beirne, Maynard & Parsons, L.L.P. (2000-2001)

Current Memberships: Federal Magistrate Judges Association; State Bar of Texas; Webb County Bar Association

Staff

Law Clerk **Yamil Farid Yunes** (956) 790-1329
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Term Expires: August 2010
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Stephen Wm. Smith

Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1951
Education: Vanderbilt 1973 BA; Virginia 1977 JD
Began Service: July 22, 2004
Term Expires: July 2012

Clerkships: Law Clerk, United States Court of Federal Claims (1977-1978)

Legal Practice: Attorney, Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. (1978-2004)

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J. Scott Hacker

Magistrate Judge

Began Service: October 17, 2008
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas

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Number of Judgeships: 6

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Marvin Isgur

Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Houston BA; Stanford MBA; Houston JD
Began Service: June 1, 2009

Staff

Case Manager **Roshana Smith** (713) 250-5657

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Jeffery Bohm

Bankruptcy Judge

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Karen Kennedy Brown

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Pennsylvania 1970 BA; Houston 1973 JD
Began Service: April 2, 1990
Term Expires: April 2018

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John Brown (1973-1975); Law Clerk The Honorable Woodrow Seals (1975-1976)

Government: Assistant Federal Public Defender, State of Texas (1976-1982)

Judicial: Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (1984-1990); Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1982-1984)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute; Houston Federal Bar Association; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges; State Bar of Texas

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Kris Thomas** (713) 250-5253
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Letitia Z. Paul

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1945
Education: Rice 1967 BA; Rutgers 1970 MA; Syracuse 1973 JD
Began Service: 1985
Term Expires: 2013

Government: Attorney, State of Texas (1974-1976); Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of Texas, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1982-1985)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1976-1982)

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Barbara Beck Hibler** (713) 250-5410
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Richard S. Schmidt

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: New Mexico State 1970 BS; Texas 1973 JD
Began Service: July 31, 1987
Term Expires: July 30, 2015

Legal Practice: Partner, Smitherman, Lunn, Chastain & Hill (1978)

Military Service: United States Air Force (1973-1978); United States Air Force Reserve (1978-2005)

Staff

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Wesley W. Steen

Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: LSU 1974 JD
Began Service: September 26, 1997
Term Expires: September 25, 2011

Judicial: Bankruptcy Judge, United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana (1983-1987)

Legal Practice: Sanders, Downing, Kean & Cazdessus (1974-1980); Wesley W. Steen, A Professional Law Corporation (1980-1983); Steen, Rubin, Curry, Colvin & Joseph (1983-1984); Winstead, Sechrest & Minick, P.C. (1988-1997)

Military Service: United States Navy (1968-1971)

Current Memberships: American Bankruptcy Institute; American Bar Association; American College of Bankruptcy; College of the State Bar of Texas; Louisiana State Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

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Term Expires: 2012
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Number of Judgeships: 12

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